At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, September 12, 2006, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman Brad Molnar, Vice Chairman Doug Mood, Commissioner Thomas J. Schneider, Commissioner

Commissioner Raney left his proxies with Commissioner Jergeson.

APPEARANCE Scott Fabel, Utility Division

(357) In the matter of MCI Communications - N2006.8.126 - on August 25, 2006, MCI filed changes to its Montana Tariff No. 2. The purpose of this filing is to make a Textual change to Basic Calling Plan XX Saving Plan II, Basic Calling Plan YY Savings Plan I, Basic Calling Plan ZZ Savings Plan I and II, Basic Calling Plan A Savings Plan I and II.

Commissioner Schneider moved to approve MCI's changes to its Montana Tariff No. 2 in Docket N2006.8.126. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(358) In the matter of MCI Communications - N2006.8.128 - on August 25, 2006, MCI filed changes to its Montana Price List Tariff. The purpose of this filing is to make a textual change and add alternative rates to the Verizon Business Service I and II; grandfather Verizon Loyalty Plus III Plan.

Commissioner Mood moved to approve MCI's Changes to its Montana Price List Tariff in Docket N2006.8.128. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE Kate Whitney, Administrator Utility Division

(359) In the matter of the Commission Minutes for the week of September 5, 2006:

Commissioner Mood moved to approve the Commission Minutes for the week of September 5, 2006. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE Phil Cooke and Lori Sandru, Utility Division

(360) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2006.7.106 - Complaint of Comma-Q Adventure, Inc. v. Qwest:

Commissioner Schneider moved to dismiss the complaint and close the docket. Commissioner

Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE Gary Duncan, Utility Division

(361) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of N2006.8.131 - Project Telephone Company - tariffed rate waiver request due to Derby fire:

Commissioner Jergeson moved to approve the Project 90 day tariff rate waiver request. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE Martin Jacobson, Legal Division

(362) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of N2006.8.117 - OSP Rate Caps:

Commissioner Schneider moved to issue an NCA establishing the new rate caps for the period October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(363) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2005.6.105 - Qwest USF investigation:

Commissioner Schneider moved to grant the objection related to data requests outside the established procedural schedule, deny the general motion, and direct staff to reestablish a revised procedural schedule to reflect the on going action of the Commission to examine USF. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(364) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2006.6.94 - NorthWestern Energy annual qualifying facility avoided cost compliance filing:

Commissioner Schneider moved to approve the interim rates as filed in the 2006 docket. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

(365) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of L-06.09.3-RUL - PSC rule updates, pipeline safety and national electric safety code:

Commissioner Mood moved to issue a notice of public hearing in the proposed rulemaking. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE Kate Whitney, Administrator Utility Division

(366) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of out of state staff travel:

Commissioner Schneider moved to approve the out of state travel for Gary Duncan to

Albuquerque, NM, Oct. 15-18, 2006. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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ATTEST:

Connie Jones Commission Secretary

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At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Wednesday, September 13, 2006, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman
Brad Molnar, Vice Chairman
Doug Mood, Commissioner
Robert H. Raney, Commissioner
Thomas J. Schneider, Commissioner

APPEARANCE Wayne Budt, Administrator Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(367) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of TN2317 - VIP Taxi, Inc., Livingston, MT - suspension of PSC No. 5682:

Commissioner Raney moved to approve the suspension of PSC No. 5682 for six months. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE Robin McHugh, Legal Division

(368) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of T-06.25.PCN - Thomas Bandstra, dba Mountain Wind Construction:

Commissioner Schneider moved to grant the waiver and the extension of the complete filing based on the factual circumstances, and accept the protest of Allied in this matter. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 3 to 2. Commissioner Jergeson and Commissioner Raney voted no.

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ATTEST:

Judy Scheier Assistant Commission Secretary

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